GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4334
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PENDING WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS
CHINTAMAN NAVSHA WANAGA

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of water supply projects pending with the Government for environmental clearance, particularly from the Government of Maharashtra;

(b) whether the schemes for rehabilitation and resettlement of project affected persons is submitted to the Government alongwith proposals; and

(c) if so, the details, thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) Of the four Water Supply Projects received for environmental clearance, two proposals, namely, Nira Deoghar Irrigation Project and IV-Mumbai (Middle Vaitarna) Water Supply Project are from the Government of Maharashtra.

(b)&(c) Yes, Sir. The projects were considered by the concerned Environmental Appraisal Committee and Nira Deoghar Irrigation Project has been recommended for environmental clearance. The proposal for IV-Mumbai (Middle Vaitarna) Water Supply Project was not found to be acceptable on account of diversion of 677.9071 hectares of forest land involving more than 2.5 lakh trees.